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A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR REPL' THE MAILING DATE OF THIS COMMUNICATION. - Extensions of time may be available under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.1 after SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication. - If the period for reply specified above is less than thirty (30) days, a repl If NO period for reply is specified above, the maximum statutory period of Failure to reply within the set or extended period for reply will, by statute Any reply received by the Office later than three months after the mailine earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b).	36(a). In no event, however, may a reply by within the statutory minimum of thirty (30) will apply and will expire SIX (6) MONTHS for cause the application to become ABANDC	e timely filed days will be considered timely. rom the mailing date of this communication. DNED (35 U.S.C. § 133).
Status		
1) Responsive to communication(s) filed on 06 A	nril 2001.	
•	s action is non-final.	
3) Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under <i>Ex parte Quayle</i> , 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.		
Disposition of Claims		
4) ⊠ Claim(s) 1-21 is/are pending in the application 4a) Of the above claim(s) is/are withdra 5) □ Claim(s) is/are allowed. 6) □ Claim(s) is/are rejected. 7) □ Claim(s) is/are objected to. 8) ⊠ Claim(s) 1-21 are subject to restriction and/or	wn from consideration.	
Application Papers		
9) The specification is objected to by the Examine 10) The drawing(s) filed on is/are: a) acc Applicant may not request that any objection to the Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correct 11) The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examine 11.	cepted or b) objected to by the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. tion is required if the drawing(s) is	See 37 CFR 1.85(a). objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119		
 12) Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f). a) All b) Some * c) None of: 1. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received. 2. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No 3. Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)). * See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received. 		
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DETAILED ACTION

1. Claims 1-21 are presented for examination.

Election/Restrictions

- 2. Restriction to one of the following inventions is required under 35 U.S.C. 121:
 - Claims 1-11, are drawn to "a system for detecting changes in the content of a web page on a web server", classified in class 719, subclass 317.
 - II. Claims 12-16, are drawn to "protecting the data integrity of a web page by comparing the baseline stored information with the updated information", classified in class 707, subclass 10.
 - III. Claims 17-19, are drawn to "protecting web site data by specifying the frequency with which the web site to be monitored and by specifying specific communication means", classified in class 709, subclass 228.
 - IV. Claims 20 and 21, are drawn to "a system comprising plurality of servers and a load balancer to distribute processing and communication activity across the plurality of web servers", classified in class 709, subclass 226.
- 3. The inventions are distinct, each from the other because of the following reasons: Inventions I to IV are related as subcombinations disclosed as usable together in a single combination. The subcombinations are distinct from each other if they are shown to be separately usable. In the instant case, invention I has separate utility such as detecting changes in the content of a web page on a web server, lacking one or more of the particulars of inventions II, III and IV. Invention II has separate utility such as protecting

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the data integrity of a web page by comparing the baseline stored information with the updated information, lacking one or more of the particulars of inventions of I, III and IV. Invention III has separate utility such as protecting web site data by specifying the frequency with which the web site to be monitored and by specifying specific communication means, one or more of the particulars of inventions of I, II and IV. Invention IV has separate utility such as a system comprising plurality of servers and a load balancer to distribute processing and communication activity across the plurality of web servers, one or more of the particulars of inventions of I, II and III. See MPEP 806.05(d).

- 4. Because these inventions are distinct for the reasons given above and have acquired a separate status in the art as shown by their different classification, restriction for examination purposes as indicated is proper.
- 5. Because these inventions are distinct for the reasons given above and the extensive search required for one group is not required for the other groups, restriction for examination purposes as indicated is proper.
- 6. Because these inventions are distinct for the reasons given above and have acquired a separate status in the art because of their recognized divergent subject matter, restriction for examination purposes as indicated is proper.

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7. Examiner is unable to contact the new attorney of record, paper number, 12/13/2002, since no phone/fax number is available. Hence, examiner was unable to request an oral election to the above restriction requirement.

- 8. Applicant is advised that the reply to this requirement to be complete must include an election of the invention to be examined even though the requirement be traversed (37 CFR 1.143).
- 9. A shortened statutory period for response to this action is set to expire 0 (zero) months and 30 (thirty) days from the mail date of this letter. Failure to respond within the period for response will result in ABANDONMENT of the application (see 35 U.S.C. 133, MPEP 710.02, 710.02(b)).

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Haresh Patel whose telephone number is (703) 605-5234. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 10:00 am to 8:00 pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, John Follansbee, can be reached at (703) 305-8498.

The appropriate fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is (703) 872-9306.

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Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the receptionist whose telephone number is (703) 305-3900.

Haresh Patel

August 13, 2004

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